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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-7002-N-12]

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Rural Capacity Building

AGENCY: Office of Community Planning and Development, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: HUD is seeking approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, HUD is requesting comment from all interested parties on the proposed collection of information. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment.

DATES: Comments Due Date: [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]._

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Colette Pollard, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410-5000; telephone 202-402-3400 (this is not a toll-free number) or email at Colette.Pollard@hud.gov for a copy of the proposed forms or other available information. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diane Schmutzler, Management and Program Analyst, CPD, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20410; e-mail Diane Schmutzler at Diane.M.Schmutzler@hud.gov or telephone 202-402-4385. This is not a toll-free number. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Schmutzler. **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice informs the public that HUD is seeking approval from OMB for the information collection described in Section A.

A. Overview of Information Collection

<u>Title of Information Collection</u>: Rural Capacity Building.

OMB Approval Number: 2506-0195.

<u>Type of Request</u>: Revision of a currently approved collection.

<u>Form Number</u>: SF-424, SF-424B, SF-LLL, HUD-2880, Multi-Year Budget Form (approval number pending this review).

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: The Rural Capacity
Building for Community Development and Affordable Housing (RCB) program and the funding
made available have been authorized by the Annual Appropriations Acts each year since FY
2012. The RCB program enhances the capacity and ability of rural housing development
organizations, Community Development Corporations (CDCs), Community Housing
Development Organizations (CHDOs), local governments, and Indian tribes (eligible
beneficiaries) to carry out affordable housing and community development activities in rural
areas for the benefit of low- and moderate-income families and persons. The RCB program

achieves this by funding National Organizations with expertise in rural housing and rural community development who work directly to build the capacity of eligible beneficiaries. Applicants to the RCB program are required to submit certain information as part of their application for assistance, and as part of the requirements as a grantee.

<u>Respondents</u> (i.e. affected public): National Organizations that are 501(c)(3) organizations with experience working in rural areas.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 20 respondents.

Estimated Number of Responses: 20 responses per year.

<u>Frequency of Response</u>: Once a year.

Average Hours per Response: 44.25 hours.

<u>Total Estimated Burdens</u>: 885.00 hours.

Information Collection	Number of Respondents	Frequency of Response	Responses Per Annum	Burden Hour Per Response	Total Annual Burden Hours	Hourly Cost Per Response	Annual Cost				
Application											
SF 424	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
SF 424B	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Multi-Year Budget	20	1	20	3.00	60.00	45.00	\$2,700.00				
SF LLL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
HUD 2880	20	1	20	0.25	5.00	\$45.00	\$225.00				
Rating Factor 1	20	1	20	8.00	160.00	\$45.00	\$7,200.00				

Rating	20	1	20	8.00	160.00	\$45.00	\$7,200.00			
Factor 2										
Rating	20	1	20	12.00	240.00	\$45.00	\$10,800.00			
Factor 3										
Rating	20	1	20	8.00	160.00	\$45.00	\$7,200.00			
Factor 4										
Rating	20	1	20	5.00	100.00	\$45.00	\$4,500.00			
Factor 5										
Reporting										
CE 42E		0	0	0		0	0			
SF-425	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
TOTALS	20	-	-	44.25	885.00	-	\$39,825.00			
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B. Solicitation of Public Comment

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in Section A on the following:

- (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (2) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;
 - (3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.

C. Authority: Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35.

Dated: October 31, 2018.

Neal Rackleff,

Assistant Secretary

for Community Planning and Development.

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